

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. An information processing apparatus which is connected to network with other information processing apparatuses, and which controls itself or other information processing apparatuses via said network, said apparatus comprising:

first display control means for controlling the display of a first control screen for controlling said other information processing apparatuses connected to said network from itself;

receiving means for receiving, from a selected information processing apparatus via said network, second control screen data for controlling at least said selected information processing apparatus, in the event that a predetermined information processing apparatus is selected from said other information processing apparatuses, based on said first control screen;

second display control means for controlling display of said second control screen received by said receiving means; and

output means for outputting signals corresponding to input to said selected information processing apparatus, in the event that predetermined instructions are input, based on said second control screen.

2. An information processing method for an information processing apparatus which is connected to network with other information processing apparatuses, and which controls itself or other information processing apparatuses via said network, said method comprising:

a first display control step for controlling the display of a first control screen for controlling said other information processing apparatuses connected to said network from itself;

a receiving step for receiving, from a selected information processing apparatus via said network, second control screen data for controlling at least said selected information processing apparatus, in the event that a predetermined information processing apparatus is selected from said other information processing apparatuses, based on said first control screen;

a second display control step for controlling display of said second control screen received by the processing of said receiving step; and

an output step for outputting signals corresponding to input to said selected information processing apparatus, in the event that predetermined instructions are input, based on said second control screen.

3. A recording medium recording a computer-readable program for an information processing apparatus which is connected to network with other information processing apparatuses, and which controls itself or other information processing apparatuses via said network, said program comprising:

a first display control step for controlling the display of a first control screen for controlling said other information processing apparatuses connected to said network from itself;

a receiving step for receiving, from a selected information processing apparatus via said network, second control screen data for controlling at least said selected information processing apparatus, in the event that a predetermined information processing apparatus is selected from said other information processing apparatuses, based on said first control screen;

a second display control step for controlling display of said second control screen received by the processing of said receiving step; and

an output step for outputting signals corresponding to input to said selected information processing apparatus, in the event that predetermined instructions are input, based on said second control screen.

4. An information processing apparatus which is connected to network with other information processing apparatuses, and which is controlled by said other information processing apparatuses via said network, said apparatus comprising:

input from said other information processing apparatuses via said network, in the event that predetermined instructions are input based on said control screen, at said other information processing apparatuses; and

an executing step for executing processing corresponding to the signals received by the processing of said receiving step.

6. A recording medium recording a computer-readable program for an information processing apparatus which is connected to network with other information processing apparatuses, and which is controlled by said other information processing apparatuses via said network, said program comprising:

an output step for outputting control screen data for controlling itself to said other information processing apparatuses via said network;

a receiving step for receiving signals corresponding to input from said other information processing apparatuses via said network, in the event that predetermined instructions are input based on said control screen, at said other information processing apparatuses; and

an executing step for executing processing corresponding to the signals received by the processing of said receiving step.

7. An information processing system which connects at least a first information processing apparatus and a second information processing apparatus with a network, and performs information processing;

said first information processing apparatus comprising:

first display control means for controlling the display of a first control screen for controlling said other information processing apparatuses, including said second information processing apparatus, connected to said network from itself;

receiving means for receiving, from said second information processing apparatus via said network, second control screen data for controlling at least said second information processing apparatus, in the event that said second information processing apparatus is selected from said other information processing apparatuses, based on said first control screen;

second display control means for controlling display of said second control screen received by said receiving means; and

output means for outputting signals corresponding to input to said second information processing apparatus, in the event that predetermined instructions are input, based on said second control screen; and

executing means for executing processing
corresponding to the signals received by said receiving
means.

8. An information processing system according to Claim 7, wherein said network is a network using an IEEE1394 serial bus.